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Railroad Men Turn on Standard Oil.

## **EVIDENCE INSURES INDICTMENT**

Monopoly Will Be Prosecuted, Railroads Safe.

### OCTOPUS HAS NO FRIENDS

Refusal to Testify, Lest They Be Implicated, Secures Pledge of Immunity From Government to Railroad Officials.

CHICAGO, Aug. 12.-(Special.)-Imnunity to different railroad officials from rosecution for violating interstate comtherce laws in giving rebates to the Standard Oil Company is the price which the Federal authorities are paying for testimony upon which they will try to secure the conviction of the Standard Oil Company and some of its officials. It was announced today by local railroad men that they will have no hesitancy in uncovering all the transactions between the roads and the oil combine to the local Federal grand jury, because they are sure that by so doing they will be themselves exempt from prosecution.

Held Out and Got Immunity. When the oil combine prosecution was first launched, it was found by the Federal authorities that railroad officials familiar with the facts declined to come forward. An inquiry addressed to such officials brought forth an announcement of the railroad men's position by the different general counsel of the roads. Open notice was served that the officials of the roads would not give information because in so doing they would be plac-ing themselves and their own railroads in danger of indictment and prosecution After consultation between counsel for the railroads and the Government the silence of the railroad men was broken and proof is now forthcoming upon which indictments will be voted by the

It was explained by one of the leading local railroad attorneys today that defi nite understanding has been reached be tween their clients and the Department of Justice that, in return for proof upo which to indict and convict the oil combine and its officials, the railroads will not be molested with any prosecution, so far as the giving of rebates to the

#### Standard Oll Company is concerned. Indictment Being Drawn.

It is now conceded by the Federal of ficials that the testimony given by railroad men is of greatest importance and that upon its basis indictments tentahave been agreed upon by the Federal grand jury and will be returned when that body reconvenes August 29. Assistant Attorney-General Oliver Pagin returned to his desk in the office of District Attorney C. B. Morrison today and immediately began drawing an indictment said to be against the Stand- ager. ard Oil Company for the grand jury, which will report on August 20, Mr. Pa gin was in Jamestown, N. Y., where he drew the indictment returned by the Federal grand jury there last week against the same company. The Assistant District Attorneya were also busy preparing for the new grand jury, which will be impaneled tomorrow. A number

The indictment will deal with the transportation of oil into the Southwest and Southeast, by means of which, it is charged, the company received many

## ICE INDICTMENTS PUBLIC.

## Boston Dealers and Manufacturers

Are Charged With Conspiracy.

BOSTON, Aug. 13 .- Secret indictments against 17 ice dealers and six ice con panies which were returned by the Suffolk County grand jury on Saturday last were made public in the Superior Court

The ice dealers are charged with having unlawfully conspired to advance and fix the price of ice for public sale and ice companies are charged as parties to a conspiracy.

The dealers indicted include President G. White of the Massachusetts Ice Dealers' Association, and Secretary C. Hallustram, of the association.

BIG FIRE AT FARMINGTON

Town Loses City Hall, Jail and Principal Business Houses.

FARMINGTON, Wash., Aug. 13.-The city buildings and five principal business houses of Farmington were destroyed by fire early this morning. The city hall and jail is gone. The total less is about and jail is gone. The total loss is asset \$25,000. No lives were lost. The business bouses destroyed are E. E. Paddock, general merchandles; Rex Hopper, W. A. Walker, grocery; Colhardware; W. A. Walker, grocery; Col-lins' blacksmith shop, and city meat mar-The fire started in the Walker building. Its origin is unknown flames got beyond control and spread rapidly. The Paddock building is a wreck, its walls crashing in and burying everything in the debris. The total in

Will Inquire Into Ice Trust Rates. WASHINGTON, Aug. 13 .- An investiga- "spirit pictures."

tion of certain railroads will be begun in Toledo, O., tomorrow by the interstate Commerce Commission, respecting the interstate transportation of ice to and from Toledo. The investigation was authorized by President Booseveit, to whom complaints had been made by shippers. It is part of the trouble over the handling of ice which the people of Toledo have experienced throughout the Summer. Between 80 and 50 witnesses have been subpensed and 14 or 15 railroad lines are involved.

## RACIAL WAR IN BULGARIA

Greeks and Bulgarians Busy Exterminating One Another.

LONDON, Aug. 13.-A dispatch from Visuns to a London news agency states that the disturbances at Ahlolu on August 11 were the result of an anti-Grecian demonstration which the Greeks sought to break up by rifle shooting. Prolonged ighting ensued, both sides losing heavily n killed and wounded.

The Bulgarians then set fire to the town in four places. The Grecian cloister of St. George was stormed during the singing of a Te deum. The situation finally became so serious that troops had to be sum-moned from Burgas. The Greeks held a meeting, at which it was decided to arm hemselves with rifles and revolvers for lefense of their churches and cloisters and to blow up the churches rather than allow them to fall into the hands of the

disputch adds that at Rustchuk 20,000 Bulgarians tried to storm the Greek consulate, but were driven off by the A dispatch from Vienna to the same

agency says that the news of the excesses against the Greeks in Eastern Roumella occasions much excitement and indigna-tion, adding that it is expected that Greece will be compelled to break off diplomatic relations with Bulgaria.

## EDWARD AND WILLIAM TO MEET

Will Agree on Advice to Czar About

His Troubles. LONDON, Aug. 13.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra returned today from Cowes to prepare for the King's annual trip to Marienbad, on which he will start tomerrow. The King will cross the channel in the royal yacht Victoria and Albert to Finshing, whence a special train will convey him to Friedrichshof, where he will meet Emperor William on Aurust 15.

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There has been endless speculation on the political significance of the meeting of the monarchs. The Russian Emperor's letter to the King is known to have been a request for advice on the situation in Russia. A reply is said to have been sent, and almost immediately afterward the meeting between King Edward and Emperor William was arranged. After the conference at Friedrichshof, a joint letter, it is said, will be sent to Emperor Nicaolas, containing the advice of King Edward and Emperor William. Grand Duke Alexis is staying at Homburg, and probably will represent the Russian Emperor at a further royal conference.

King Edward will be the guest of Prince and Princess Frederick Charles of Hesse at Frederichshof for 24 hours, leaving on the morning of August 18 for Marienbad, where he will stay till September 6, then going to Dresden and Vienna.

Kendall Musical Company Deserted by Manager in Utah Metropolis.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Aug. 13.-The playing at the Salt Palace, is in financial difficulties. Edward Scamans, manager of the company, left the city several days ago, announcing that he was called to San Francisco by the illness of his wife, and the members of the company have since had no word from him. The salaries of the company and numerous bills

are unpaid.

To provide for their personal expenses company's members have arranged to continue their engagement at the Salt Palace, independent of their former man-

tioned in the foregoing dispatch, is the same organization which recently ap-peared in a six weeks' engagement at the Hellig Theater, of this city, under the name of the Kendall Musical Company. During its stay in this city the company was handicapped by reason of the extremely hot weather, which made theater-going unpleasant, and, while the productions met with favorable press comment, the business was poor, and it was found necessary to close the engage-

## PLAN TO FIGHT RATE BILL

Secret Gathering of Lawyers and Railroad Officials.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.-A dispatch to a morning paper from Atlantic City,

N. J. BRYSI There are rumors here of a coming railroad conference to consider a fight to be made against the railroad rate bill Last night nearly a hundred lawyears, so it is said, known to represent railroad interests, arrived here and there are a score or more of railond officials here who have arrived

Great secrecy is being maintained over the reports of the coming meetgation of lawyers arrived with a bat-talion of stenographers and clerks all information, as well as the names of the newcomers, was refused. It is said that any meeting held will be in secret.

## GIVEN TICKET OF LEAVE

Ann O'Delia Diss de Bar Released From English Prison.

LONDON, Aug. 13.—Ann O'Della Disa te Bur, who under the name of Laura fackson was sentenced on December 30, 1901, to seven years' penal servitude for connection with an immoral cult known as the "Theocratic Unity," of which her reputed husband, Theodore Jackson, was the head, has been liberated from Aylesbury prison under ticket of leave, hav-ing obtained the maximum reduction of sentence by good behavior.

Republicans Expect Roosevelt Wave to Recede Somewhat.

WORRIES GRIGGS

President's Popularity Renders Democratic Success Hopeless in Many Districts-Raising Funds by Dollar Subscriptions.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washngton, Aug. 13 .- Representative Sherman, chairman of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, while predicting the election of a Republican House of Representatives, says there is no prospect of maintaing the present phenomenal majority of 114. He says this majority was atained only because the present House was elected simultaneously with President Rosevelt; Roosevelt's popularity carried a number of sitting members into office. The President is not before the people for election this year and in consequence those members who were elected two years ago merely because they were running with Roosevelt will in many

instances be left at home. Sherman, however, is shrewd enough to inject as much Roosevelt into the campaign as possible. It was his suggestion that Roosevelt be made the leading issue this Fall, and it was he who set up the cry that the election of a Republican House would be considered an Indorsement of Roosevelt, whereas a Democratic victory would mean a repudiation of all that Roose-velt stands for. Sherman is content that Roosevelt shall be the only issue, but, as this cannot be he has made a study of conditions in the close districts and is preparing to send the best campaigners into those districts to expound Republican doctrine on those issues which most strongly appeal to the people there.

Griggs Follows Same Tactics.

Chairman Griggs, of the Democratic similar tactics. He does not propose to lay down any one issue walch shall form the basis of the campaign in all states. In districts where sentiment is strongly in favor of tariff revision he will bring the tariff issue to the front; in districts where Bryan is unusually popular he will make Bryan and Bry-STRANDED IN SALT LAKE expects to find the people dissatsfied with the attitude of their present Republican Congressmen towards the railroad rate law, the meat spection law or the pure food law. If this can be turned to advantage, Griggs will shape the campaign in those districts on the measures in which the people are most interested. Some Republican Congressmen voted against the rate bill; others struggled to have it amended in a way to impair its usefulness. Griggs stands ready to assail these members. The and the pure food law. In other districts this plan will not work, but there Griggs will assail the present Republican Congressmen because they supported the bills which 'did become law. In these cases the people will be advised that all of these great measures were amended by Republicans in a way to render them ineffective.

## Roosevelt Bothers Griggs.

What worries Griggs more than anything ise is the widespread popularity of Pres ident Roosevelt, a popularity that he finds is not confined to Republicans. There is talk of abandoning the fight in districts where the President is especially strong among Democrats, for under these conditions it will be difficult to defeat men who have acted with the President and who, if re-elected, are just as sure to follow his lead. Jim Griggs is a pretty shrewd individual. He will not attempt the imposwible, but he will tax his versatility to rake up issues here and there that will best serve his purpose. Griggs has gone in to win; he says he will win, and he will come as close to it as any Democrat could under the circumstances.

Raising Funds by Dollars.

Another thing about Griggs-he is quick to recognize the successful factics of his opponent. When Sherman started out to gather a campaign fund and found large contributions very scarce he appealed to the Republican voters for individual contributions of \$1 each. Griggs said nothing, but watched and waited. In the mean-time he went over to New York, called upon corporation men who had formerly helped out the Democratic campaign man-agers, but found them as unwilling to contribute as were the wealthy men who formerly poured large sums into the Reblican coffers. When the Republican \$1 contribution plan got well under way and numerous checks and bills poured into Republican headquarters, Griggs decided that that was the only way in which he could raise a fund, so he sent out a call modeled after that issued by Sherman.
He, too, was willing to receive small contributions. He had found money-gather ng every bit as difficult as Sherman did

Griggs will bank heavily on Bryan after he returns to this country. The Demo-cratic campaign manager has arranged a onference with Bryan, and will seek the advice of that old campaigner as to the best methods to employ in the fight this Fall. Bryan is naturally interested in the Congressional election, for a Democratic House in 1906 would be a very great stride in the direction of a Democratic Presiden in 1908. It has been noted in times past that the Congressional election in the off in 1888. It has been noted in times past that the Congressional election in the off year has indicated the politics of the President elected two years later. This was true of Cleveland both times, and of Harrison and McKinley as well. Super- pending his appeal to the Supreme Court sentence by good behavior.

This is the woman who swindled Luther R. Marsh, a rich New York lawyer, about 20 years ago by means of pretended about 20 years ago by means of pretended action plays a more or less important of the United States.

## part in politics, and that is one reason why Bryan wants to see a Demogratic victory this Fall.

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Griggs knows and Bryan knows that a Democratic House, with a Republican Senate and President, could not force through any partisan legislation, but a Democratic House could do a great deal towards paving the way for 1908; it could towards paving the way for 1908; it could attempt partisan legislation; it could pass a tariff bill and force the Sensie to go on record, and it could do a great many other things that would prove useful to the party in the Presidential fight. But Griggs and Bryan have no corner on this knowledge. Sherman and Roosevelt are equally aware of the importance of carrying the House, and they will be just as alert to prevent a Democratic victory as their opponents will be to overturn the present majority.

Roosevelt is anxious for a Republican House because he wants his course approved. The record made at the last session is largely his record and an indorsement of that record is an indorsement of Roosevelt. His desire for a Republican House next year is not inspired by thoughts of his reclinical future for he thoughts of his political future, for he has declared that he does not desire and will not accept another nomination. But Rocsevelt is a mighty good party man, and he wants some other man, Taft probably, to have the advantage that will come from the election of a Republican House this Fall.

House this Fall.

While the Republicans have wisely chosen their issues and while they go into the campaign with a marked advantage on their side, they will have no walk-over in this year's campaign; they will have a hard fight. They can't hold their present majority, but that is fortunate. It would be to the advantage of the Republican party if its majority in the next Congress did not exceed twenty.

## APPROVES CAMPAIGN BOOK

President Finds Issues Well Stated. Sherman Discusses Ontlook.

OYSTER BAY, Aug. 12.-President Roosevelt entertained at luncheon today Representative James S. Sherman, chairnan of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee; Chairman Shonts, of the Isthmian Canal Commission; Joseph B. Bishop, Secretary to the Canal Commission; Henry W. Taft, of New York, a brother of Secretary of War Taft, and Robert Bridges, also of New York.

When Mr. Sherman left Sagamore Hill this afternoon he said that while he had gone over the Congressional campaign with the President thoroughly, the principal object of his visit was to review the campaign textbook, which is to be issued next week. When Speaker Cannon and Mr. Sherman and other members of the Congressional committee visited the President several weeks ago, certain matters to be handled in the textbook were discussed in detail. Mr. Sher-man said it was desirable to go over these matters again with the President before the book should be given to the public. He said the President had approved of the way in which the matter had been handled, besides several of the arguments which Speaker Cannon is to make in his convention speech Thursday at Danville, III

"The book vill be a stand-pat docu-ment, with word-pictures of the record of the Republican party, and reasons why that party should be kept in power," said Mr. Sherman. Mr. Sherman spoke appreciatively of the President's interest and assistance in the campaign. The outlook, he said, was

districts that we had no more right to than some one besides the President had to Sagamore Hill. While we expect to lose some of these districts, the Republi-

Representative Longworth, who is a member of the Congressional committee, took part in the political discussion and visit the Republican headquarters in

fident in every instance of their re-elec-

LIMIT TO STENSLAND'S CRIMES NOT YET REACHED.

Note Found in House, but Security Missing-May Leave Depositors Only One-Fourth.

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.-The bellef that large amounts of collateral given as security for notes to the Milwaukee Avenue State Bank have been stolen practically became a certainty last night, when a note for \$9000, known to be genuine, was found in Stensland's house at Byron street and Lawndale avenue, Search was made for the collateral security, but it could not be found

The discovery opened up a field for almost unlimited speculation as to how far the looting proceeded before Stens land disappeared. If the real estate and other securities in the bank have been stolen or are found to be worthless, the amount of money left to pay the depositors probably will be reduced as low as

Assistant State's Attorney Olson was informed yesterday afternoon that President Stensland has large land holdings in Mexico, and that he may be in the Southern republic now. The information came in the shape of a letter from an acquaintance of Stensland. Mr. Olson said that it will take only 24 hours to run down the clew.

## Functions of Persian Assembly,

TEHERAN, Aug. 12.—The Shah's re-script to the Grand Vizier as finally amended August 10, orders the formation of a National Assembly composed of representatives of all classes, Princes downward. The Assembly will advise the Shah on important state and public affairs and will propose reforms conducive to the welfare of the people. Justice will be administered in accordance with the sacred law. The Grand Vizier is to draw up the rules of procedure for the Assembly, and these are proved by the Assembly itself and these are to be ap-

## Court Denies Collins Ball.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.-Superior

Rain Does Little Toward Extinguishing the Blaze on Santiam.

## VALUABLE TIMBER BURNS

Flames Now Advancing Toward the Summit of Cascade Range. Woodsmen Criticize Patrol as Being Inefficient.

ALBANY, Or., Aug. 15 .- (Special.)-The ire in the Santiam Mountains, after the rains this morning, was checked some-what, but this evening is burning as fiercely as ever. The flames have crossed the river into Linn County, and are burn-ing a fine stretch of timber. The fire is now ten miles from the point where it crossed the stream. This fire now threatens Hoover's sawmill, above Detroit, and tonight is traveling toward the summit of the Cascade Mountains.

Another fire has traveled up the Breltnbush River in the direction of Breitenbush Hot Springs. It has covered ten miles and burned over a wide area. Up to totight fully 70 square miles of timber has been destroyed, and the fire is again absoutely beyond control. Many camping parties in the mountains are returning in haste, and others are believed to be cut off for the time being.

The fire has reached the Breitenbush trall, and campers at Hot Springs are reported to be cut off and in some danger. The town of Detroit is in no immediate danger from the fire. The Corvallis & Eastern Railroad is not damaged materially and trains are running through

### Extent Not Yet Learned.

People coming down from the burning district tonight report that the fire is raging again, both up the Breitenbu Canyon and up the Santiam above Detroit. Its extent cannot be determined, they say, owing to the dense smoke hanging over the canyons.

Dom J. Zan and wife returned to Albany on today's train and report that the rest of their camping party came down to Niagara, below the fire belt, and pitched camp anew. Many people who have been camped around Detroit came out today,

One of the important financial losses the campaign. The outloos, he said, good.

"Of course." he remarked, "the Republicans are not going to retain all the seats they have now in the House, but we will remain in actual control of the Sixtleth Congress. That we are sure of.

"At the last election we had President Roosevelt on the ticket and no real Democratic against him. For this reason we carried a number of strictly Democratic districts that we had no more right to sustained on account of the fire will be felt by the tanning industry. Six hundred cords of tanbark that was piled beside the railroad track near the Breitenbush River were destroyed. This bark was to have been used by the Sternberg tannery in Albany, one of the most important concerns in the city. The loss is not so much in the intrinsic value of the bark that was piled beside the railroad track near the Breitenbush River were destroyed. This bark was to have been used by the Sternberg tannery in Albany, one of the most important that the tanning industry. Six hundred cords of tanbark that was piled beside the railroad track near the Breitenbush River were destroyed. This bark was to have been used by the Sternberg tannery in Albany, one of the most important that the tanning industry. Six hundred cords of tanbark that was piled beside the railroad track near the Breitenbush River were destroyed. This bark was to have been used by the Sternberg tannery in Albany, one of the most important that the tanning industry. itself as in the fact that the tannery will be crippled and forced to operate under difficulties. Bark cannot be peeled again can members who hold them now are conuntil next year, and most of the tanneries in the Valley were already short of the

> The railroad bridge across the Breltenbush was not badly burned and was soon ready for trains. Several cars belonging to the Corvallia & Eastern were

#### stroyed. Forest Patrol Criticised.

Since the Santiam fire broke out, much criticism has been heard here of the Gov ernment's forest patrol in the district where the damage was done. Experirangers who have successfully guarded the forest wealth of the North Santiam country for the past several years were let out under the civil servce regulations adopted by the Forestry, Department, and new men given an opportunity to secure places upon passing a written examination.

Among those who took advantage of this opportunity were some men experienced in woodcraft, and who had seen years of service in the very section to be patrolled, as packers, guides, etc. There were also some who took the examination who had had no experience, or at least were not proficient woodsmen. One of the latter, Walter Hayes, who had been employed in a Portland department store. charge of the Detroit territory

## Experienced Men Discharged.

Upon his recommendation the experienced men who passed at the civil service examination at the same time he did have been discharged. In addition, local woods men and loggers refused to work with Hayes in the mountains, and as a result the timber up the North Santiam River, one of the most magnificent forests in Oregon, has had little protection from the Government this year.

These are the reports that come float-ing down the Santiam Canyon, residents of the burning district being positive in their charges of inefficiency in the service.

## BLAZE THREATENS A TOWN Village of Alder, Near Tacoma, Is

Surrounded by Forest Fire.

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)-The town of Aider, Pierce County, cam near being wiped out by fire Friday. Two houses were burned and the new school-house came near going. Saturday and

restorday the residents of the place were still fighting the flames.

The blaze that threatened Alder was started by a farmer who undertook to burn a siashing and was unable to stop the blaze at the edge of his place. Friday afternoon the mill was closed down and all hands were set to fightline fire. all hands were set to fighting fire.

### Fight Fire in Lane County. EUGENE, Or., Aug. 13.-But for the nard work of all the available lumber-

men and loggers near the Wendling mill and at the mouth of Winberry Creek, Lane County would have lost by this time hundreds of thousands of dollars by two forest fires which now seem to be under control of men who have been forthing them uncessately since they be fighting them unceasingly since they be-

## gan Saturday night. The fire on the Mo-hawk destroyed about 3000 feet of Ren-ninger & Buttons' new flume, which had been used just three (hys and was built at a cost of \$4000, besides logs that were yarded in the path of the fire, the value of which was about \$4000.

## FOREST FIREBUG ARRESTED

Wishkah Rancher Accused of Violating State Timber Laws.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Thomas White was brought here today by Fire Warden Young from the Wishkah Valley, where he has been clearing a ranch. White, it is alleged, started a fire to burn brush in violation of the state law which requires a license from the forest warden. It is also of the state law which requires a license from the forest warden. It is asserted that White started the fire that
resulted in the destruction of the Larkin Brost, logging camp and several
million feet of standing timber. White
will be given a hearing tomorrow.
Light rains have fallen since Sunday
and it is thought they will be at least
partially effective in checking the fires.

## Rains Clear Atmosphere.

BELLINGHAM Wash., Aug. 13.—A co-plous rain which began last evening has broken the drouth in Northwest Washing-ton, checked the disastrous forest fires in every direction and removed the heavy smoke from the atmosphere.

## SMASHING AUTO RECORD

Run Reaches Chicago in 11 Days.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.-Having already educed the transcontinental record by 14 days, and with every prospect of bringing down the San Francisco mark from 33 days to 14 days, L. L. Whitman and C. S. Carris, in charge of a 32-horsepower, six-cylinder automobile, reached here at 5:30 tonight. The start from San Francisco was made August 2, and the run to Chicago, by way of the Union Pacific route through Wyoming, was made in 11

After a stop of three hours here, during which new tires were fitted to the wheels, the record-breakers resumed their journey to New York, which they expect to reach in two days.

Besides Whitman and Carris, there are two other mater expects making the trip.

two other motor experts making the trip.
Two of the men ride in the car at a time, the other two pushing on to the next meeting point by train. The car is run night and day, the men who ride by train devoting their time to sleep.

## PASSENGER RUNS AMUCK

Shoots and Stabs Promiscuously on Landing at La Crosse.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Aug. 13 .- (Special.)-An unknown person, a passenger on the enstbound Northwestern train, ran amuck when the train reached here this afternoon, and, whipping out a revolver and knife, shot the bus driver on the station platform and seriously stabbed two trainmen and a policeman who attempted to stop him. Then, promisenously shooting at every one in sight, he escaped in the panic for the time, but was later arrest-ed. His victims are in the hospital, Ali-will probably recover.

## RAILROADS OFFER BRIBE Agree to Lower Wheat Rates if Minnesota Will Quit Probing.

ST. PAUL, Aug. 13.-A meeting of the braskan's wrath over what he terms a State Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners was held today for the purpose, it is stated, of acting en a proposition from the Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Son Line railroads, which agree to reduce the freight rate on wheat I cent vestigation and agitation of freight rates The proposition was rejected.

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# FIELD OF BATTLE

Factions Will Fight It Out in Illinois.

## FIRST ROUND AT CONVENTION

Progressives Open Attack on Sullivan Forces.

## HE LEADS CONSERVATIVES

Machine Making Transcontinental Bryan and Hearst Combine to Drive Out Old Gold Democratic Faction From Control-Sullivan Promises Square Deal.

> CHICAGO, Aug. 13 .- (Special.)-Illinois has been selected by the Bryan forces as the Western battle-ground for the socalled Progressive Democracy in the preliminary fighting which is scheduled to go before the big cuns of the 1908 campaign. Tais sannouncement was made from the Hearst camp today and was practically corroborated by a statement from William Jennings Bryan from Paris. This first skirmish of the contending

On the one side are the Bryan men, who follow the Dunlap-Thompson banner, and the Hearst forces. These elements admittedly lack in organization, but they believe they make up for this by the declared righteousness of their cause and the popular feeling on the subject. On the other side is the Hopkins-Sullivan machine, ramified by intrenchments all through the state and boasting of the solid delegation from Cook, numbering

## Old Fend Breaking Out.

Politicians see in the war on Sulliyan the old division between the so-called radical and conservative camps of the party. Sullivan is the close personal friend of John P. Hopkins, as well as his business and political associate. Bryan declared at St. Louis in 1994: "John P. Hopkins never was a Democrat." It is believed that Bryan holds Hopkins largely responsible for the Palmer and Buckner movement of 1896 and that this adds some fuel to the fire of the Ne-

fraudulent accession to political power. Will Be "Decent" Convention. A special train will leave for Peorla Monday loaded with members of the Roger C. Sullivan Club. This club will number about 500 and will be marshaled by John McGillen, Mr. Sullivan was asked today whether there would be any

"aluggers" in the "club," as has been

reported by the Hearst Beutenants.

There will not," he said. "I want no prize fighters or thugs in the convention. Decent, law-abiding men are the only persons who will be asked to the convention by me." Charles Boeschenstein, chairman of the Democratic state committee, said today that he would personally welcome any

#### members of the Democratic National Committee who might visit the Peoria convention.

Cards All on Table. "They will see one of the most orderly onventions they ever beheld," said Mr. Bosschenstein, "and the deck will be shuffled and all the cards dealt on top

of the table." Mr. Boeschenstein had just come up from down the state and reported all as merry as a wedding bell in Democratic politics. He expects a fair fight in the convention, with no favors asked or received. Today he gave his time and attention to sending out the list of 100 committee members who will go to New York from Illinois to receive William Jennings Bryan when he returns from

#### Europe Hearst's Opening Gun.

Headquarters for the Chicago branch of the Independence League of Illinois was thrown open today in the Security building and a platform was sent out for the indorsement of voters. This is the opening gun of the Hearst campaign in Chicago, Congressman Hearst is expected in Chicago tomorrow and before he leaves his lieutenants hope to have full-fledged ticket in the field for all the offices at stake in Cook County at the November election.

## DENIES BRYAN'S STATEMENT Sullivan Reiterates Dunlap Has Mis-

informed His Leader.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.-National Committeeman Sullivan, when interviewed today as to Mr. Bryan's latest utterances, declared there was no truth in

Mr. Bryan got all his information from Mr. Dunlap, and is doing what Mr. Dunlap wants him to do. All the information he has about the Illinole situation he has received from Dunlap and Thompson. He is fighting their battice—battles that they can-not fight for themselves. His statement is not true as to the control of the state convention two years ago, as to the National Com-mittee, nor as to the committee on creden-tials. Mr. Bryan is not bigger than the entire

Democratic party. Mr. Sullivan referred to a letter which he said Mr. Bryan had written to Ben M. Caldwell, Democratic nom-inee for Congress in the Twenty-first

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